

FORM B - BUILDING

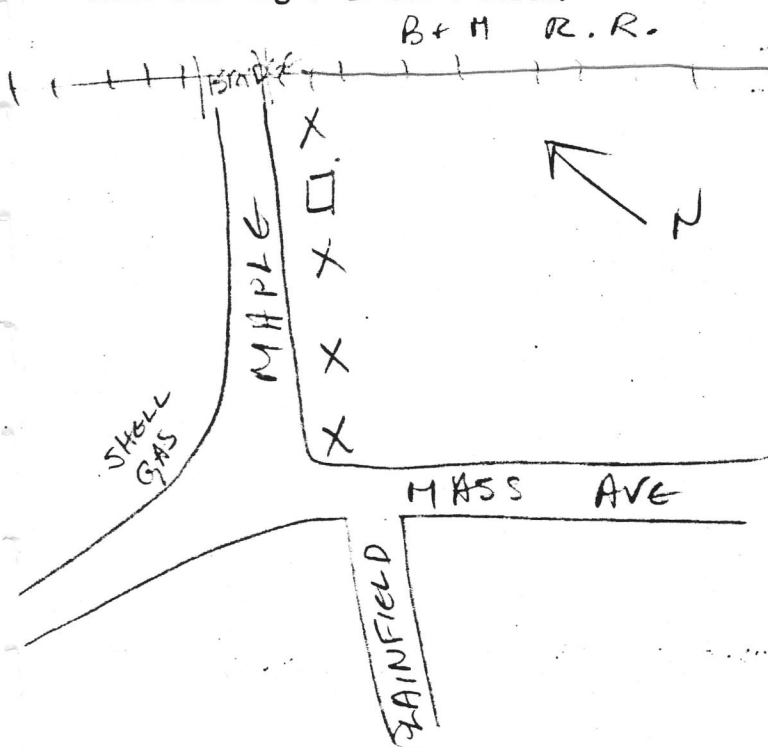
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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Lexington
Maple Street
 SS 9-11 Mass. Ave.
Josiah Smith House
 nt use Residence
 nt owner Casey, Beatrice
 iption:
c. 1870 (by 1875)
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4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



Style Italianate
Greek Revival (etc)

Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric Clapboard

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features Gable end to street, ell to rear
flat corner boards, wide board at cornice;

strong

Altered _____ Date _____

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size:

Less than one acre x Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 75'

Approximate distance of building from street

15'

6. Recorded by E. W. Reinhardt

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Date 7/30/75

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE
 USGS Quadrant _____

MHC Photo no. _____

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Josiah Smith?
Original use residential
Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	_____	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ Humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	_____				

9. Historical Significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

Descrip. cont.

Return on gable ends; chamfered posts on first floor porch; note detail around door (picture) granite block foundation.

According to E. B. Worthen, this house does not appear on the 1853 map but is on the 1875 map (Josiah Smith). Smith was a blacksmith, 53 years old in 1880. The 1898 map still lists the owner as J. Smith although John Sanders (Saunders?) was living here as early 1894. The 1906 map indicates the owner/occupant was then Lavinia Saunders.

On March 24, 1906 the Lexington Minuk-Man noted that the estate of the late John Saunders on Maple Street had been purchased by Thomas Cosgrove. In 1910 the household included 90 yr old Irish-born Thomas, his 76 yr. old wife, + six other family members. Cosgrove family members still living here in 1942...

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

E. B. Worthen, Tracing the Past in Lexington, Mass., p37.
Minuk-Man, March 24, 1906.